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REF: A. STATE A5327

B. ROME 19233

AT THE SUGGESTION OF OTHER POSTS IN ITALY, AMCONSUL TURIN RECENTLY CONSIDERED THE ADVISABILITY OF RETAINING THE SERVICES OF 'KOSMOS', A WELL-KNOWN LOCAL CREDIT INFORMATION AGENCY, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSULATE'S WTD REPORTING. BASED ON A VERIFICATION OF THE SERVICES WHICH KOSMOS CAN PROVIDE, AND GIVEN THE FEES QUOTED, WE HAVE DETERMINED THAT DATA OBTAINABLE THROUGH THIS SOURCES WOULD BE HARDLY ANY MORE COMPLETE AND RELIABLE THAN THE TYPE OF INFORMATION WHICH SO FAR THE CONSULATE HAS BEEN ABLE TO SECURE QUITE PROMPTLY AND FREE OF CHARGE FROM LOCAL BANKS AND/OR CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE. THEREFORE, TURIN DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT THE USE OF A CONTRACTOR WOULD FACILITATE OR IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF ITS WTD REPORTING. IN VIEW OF

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THIS NEGATIVE CONCLUSION, WE WILL CONFINE OURSELF TO

ANSWERING SUCH GENERAL QUESTIONS CONTAINED IN THE REFERENCED
AIRGRAM AS ARE STILL PERTINENT IN OUR CASE:

- A. N/A
- B. N/A
- C. N/A
- D. N/A
- E. N/A

F. SINCE THIS POST DOES NOT CONTRACT ANY INFORMATION
AGENCY, A QUESTIONNAIRE IS USUALLY DIRECTLY MAILED TO
THE FIRM IN ADDITION TO REQUESTS FOR FINANCIAL INFORMATION
TO BANKS AND LOCAL CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE.

- G. N/A
- H. N/A
- I. N/A
- J. N/A
- K. N/A
- L. N/A

M. 1) APPROX. 100 FSL PERSON HOURS
2) APPROX. 400 PERSON HOURS. THE TRANSLATION IS DONE
BY FSL CLERICAL PERSONNEL
3) APPROX. 100 HOURS

- N. N/A
- O. N/A

P. THIS POST PREFERS TO CONTACT BUSINESS FIRMS DIRECTLY
MAINLY FOR THE ADDITIONAL PURPOSE OF GENERATING TRADE
OPPORTUNITIES AND OBTAINING FIRST-HAND HINTS ON THE LOCAL
ECONOMIC TRENDS.

Q. WE CONSIDER THE ADVISABILITY OF HIRING AN INFORMATION
AGENCY A MATTER DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE VARYING WORKLOAD OF
INCOMING WTDR'S AT DIFFERENT POSTS.

R. NONE.

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